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UNION PACIFIC CORPORATION, UNION PACIFIC RAILROAD COMPANY, AND MISSOURI PACIFIC RAILROAD COMPANY -CONTROL AND MERGER-SOUTHERN PACIFIC RAIL CORPORATION, SOUTHERN PACIFIC TRANSPORTATION COMPANY, ST, LOUIS SOUTHWESTERN RAILWAY COMPANY, SPCSL CORP., AND THE DENVER AND RIO GRANDE WESTERN RAILROAD COMPANY

(Arbitration Review)

John E. Grother, requests the Board extend the time within which he may appeal the decision of the arbitration committee, dated December 21, 2004, but which decision may not yet have been adopted or made a final decision of the committee, to and including March 14, 2005. 49 CFR 1115.8.

This request for an extension of time is made in accordance with the 20-day rule, 49 CFR 1104.7(b), inasmuch as Mr. Grother is unable to determine the status of the proposed decision, particularly in light of the intervening holidays.

A 60-day period within which to appeal any final decision is necessary due to the complexity and nature of the issues.

Respectfully submitted,

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